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TAGS: PINS, ET, CU

SUBJECT: CUBAN INTENTIONS TOWARD ERITREA

REF: A. HAVANA 722; B. MOSCOW 5227; C. ROME 4570

1. REFTELS REPORT CUBAN VICE PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ AND CUBAN AMBASSADOR ROME AS STATING THAT CUBA RELUCTANT TO SEND COMBAT TROOPS TO ERITREA PREFERRING "POLITICAL SOLUTION."
2. DEPARTMENT WOULD BE INTERESTED IN YOUR VIEWS AS TO HOW MUCH CONFIDENCE WE SHOULD PLACE IN SUCH STATEMENTS AND WHETHER, AND TO WHAT DEGREE, CUBANS MIGHT BECOME INVOLVED IN PACIFICATION CAMPAIGN IN ERITREA SHOULD SOVIETS AND/OR ETHIOPIANS PRESS FOR A MORE ACTIVE CUBAN ROLE.

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